The fifth annual report of the state bureau of labor has just been issued by Commissioner lieath It occupies 432 pages of carefully collected matter, largely statistical and affords an interesting volume

for those who tuly industrial problems. Especial a tention is given to farm mort ages. The statistics presented were collected through supervi-ors under the most favorable ci cumstances and are considered reliable so far as they go. There were 10,803 farms reported. This is 58.1 per cent of all Michigan farms as compared with the census of 1884. The assessed valuation of these reported farms is \$114.8-4.653; the mortgage indebtedness \$37.458,272, or more than 18.2 per cent of the total a sensel valuation and 6.8 per cent of the assessed valuation of farms that are mortgaged. The average rate of interest paid is 1 percent. This figures up an annual interest of \$2.701.638.

Mr. Heath, estimating all the farms in

Mr. Heath, es mating all the farms in the state on the basis of reports received, figures out an assessed valuation of \$332-278.025 and a mortgage indebtedness of \$64, 62,580-90 with \$4,636, 65-1 annual interest on farms alone

Carrying the est mate further, exceptlowever, ertain obscure ounties from which on y meagre reports were received, the mortgage indebteiness on silved property in Michican is \$120,22, 553.01, bearing an annual interest of \$0.45,55.1. This estimate is based upon the assessed valuation of 1806, which is

There were ten count es from which only Bleaste reports were received, I rom some counties it was reported that a few larmers refused to give the information sought. Mr. eath thinks, therefore, that his esti-mates are too low. He further believes that should the amount of unsecured debts bearing interest be added to the morigage indebted ess his figures would probably be doubled.

probably be doubled.

The commissioner attributes this condition of a Tairs to "the nigh pressure system of husiness the country has passed through. We suggests a remady in "legislation that would adjust more equitably the industrial rights of all classes in the matter of public turilens and of taxation in such a manner that all linds of taxable property would bear its just pro

f the reporting formura 60,071 are Americans an H. 5.0 foreigners at own ing and occupying forms. (If the immigrants 5.0 had move and 3.5) had none when they arrived. The amount brought by those having noney was \$1, 0.3.15. The assessed valuation of their preservy is \$2.1.551 and mortgage indebte tness 11,1.1.14. The assessed valuation of forms owned by Americans is \$10,1.5.51 with a mortgage indebte hess [, SI | with a mortgage indebtedness

The number of immigrants arranged by The additions are: (1.5) Cormons, (21) Constions, 4.5s. Inglish, 3.2 Tries, 1.22. Scotch, 5.5 Sweedish, 3.5 anis, 22 from Norway and 124 from Switzerland, 1.512 Follanders, 1.6 Foles, 141 Austrians, 1. French, 9 Belgians and fewer numbers, in some instances as low as one from other countries, making in all thirty-five for-eign countries represented.

There were during the six years ended December, is: 1: strikes ordered by organizations and 25 not so ordered. Of organizations and 22 not scardered. Of the 12 establishments involved 32 were cool of days, or on an verage of 23, days. The aggregate duration of strikes was 16 to days, an average of 25. The number success in was 11, partly successful 0, and 2 failed. The loss to the employees was 21, 222 and 3 fails was contributed for assistance. The employers loss was 2, 20. There was employed locors these strikes 25.01 persons make antiference in term. The number of striking employes was 2, 01 and involved. This local materials are the strikes 25.01 and of employes after the strikes, 2, 01 and of employes after the strikes, 2, 01 of whem 522 were from 15 from other places.

There were during the same period. Therefore, last not any in the signerate. Fourteen were successful, handleyes lost \$15, 20, and and were given as a selectance.

Fourteen were showed in the newstance \$2.51. The employees not \$15.00 | m ployes locked out, 27 | New employees after oakout, 4, of whom 23 were

In his conclusions Commissioner Fleath gays that one had of the Much an farm ers are mortraged and paymer double tax; that by ea on of this all kinds of business are seriousy affected and "that men we do not money do not bear their just proportion of the bubble expenses in return for the protection given them while the majority escape taxation." The California law is recommended for Michigan and neigh oring states, it delicts that portion of the lax eviel on the mortgage intebtedness from the whole amount of tax carged against the property owner and forwards it to the mortgage for collection.

## UNION VETERANS' UNION.

What the Union Is-Proceedings of the "ceting.

The annual meeting of the department command of the union veterans' union was held in Corunna recently. This is a soldier organization which requires six months' actual service, a part of which must have been at the front. The first command was mustered at Galesburg about nine month- ago, and as showing the growth of the order, nine commandwere represented.

In the evening a compfire was held at Opera hall, Hon, Hugh McCurdy derivering the address of we come, responded to by Comrade James Sleeth of Byron. Ad dresses were made by Col. James J. Peacock of Corunna. Judge Advocate General Wm. H. Smith gave the address of the evening. His topic, "The Bine and the Gray," was handled with true soldier

The addresses were sea ened with excelent vocal and instrumenta music department commander la Norton giving by request the recutative song "Who'd Save the Left," and "e ve brank from the Same Cauteen." A arge audience were present and aboved their hearty appreciation of the exercises by frequent and prolonged applicate. and prolonged an dause.

he per diem pension bill was unanimously endorsed.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year: Denartment commander, L. G. Setton of Evron: first deputy, L. D. L. Sehram of Calesburg: second deputy Thomas D. Horton of Muskegon; surgeon general Harry D. inne of Corunna de partment chaplain, Daniel McGovern o ustin : assistant ad lutant-general. Horton Williams, Jr. of Corunna; quartermaster-general, L. C. Kanous; judge advocate-general, W. H. Smith of St. Clair, Excutive committee - Judson S. Farrer, Port Huron; James U. Perry, 'enton Charles F. clace, St. Clair; Walter B.

Payne Marble, and James Sprague, Mus-The next meeting will be held in March, 1889, at Grand Hapids.

The Legislar v Association. Daniel L. Crossman, secretary of the legislative association, has sent to the several district vice-presidents and secretaries a circular repeating the resolutions adopted by the last requion in 18-6, making it the duty of the district secretaries the districts are the same as the state senatorial districts), respectively to secure by correspondence or otherwise the names, membership fees or assessments of names, membership less of assessments of all persons eligible in their respective dis-tricts and forward the same to the central office. Also assigning to the district vice-presidents the duty of preparing for the next reunion (.une 13 and 14) obituary notices of all members who have died within their respective districts since the reunion of 1886.

### THE STATE.

Bay View.

Early announcements are out for the next Bay View season, which promise to rival in magnificence all former ones at that peerless summer resort and cause it to be more througed than ever. All win- days. ter they have been building cottages there and seventy-five to one hundred new onewill be up by July. A fine building is to be erected for the summer school, the great auditorium and all the botels enlarged and many ornamental improvements made on the grounds, which are said to be the most beautiful of any summer resort in this country. This year, the assembly, with its nine departments, will last three weeks, and some of the most eminent educational, musical, pulpit, lec-ture and entertaining talent in this coun-try has been engaged. Among the attractry has been engaged. Among the attrac-tions will be the famous Foston tar, Bishop Ninds, Prof. Alex. Winchell, Mrs. Lpyyah Barakat of Syria, ex-governor Cumback of Ill., J. De Vitt Miller, Rev. Drs. Geo. P. Hayes and P. S. Henson, Dean A. A. Wright Miss Matilda H. Ross, Frank Lincoln, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, sev-eral gifted singers, musicians, etc. ral gifted singers, musicians, etc.

Of particular value will be the summer school for teachers. Sunday school normal department art and music schools, for which a large number of eminent specialists are already engaged.

We cannot imagine anything more de-ight of than a tr p to Bay View during he assembly, which always begin on the ast Wednes ay in July and last three weeks. All the railroads at that time sell half price tickets, and best table board costs only four and five dollars. John M. Hall of Plint, Mich. is superintendent of the assembly,

Gen. .. s. . cad.

Gen, George W. Cass, a nephew of the ate Gen. Lewis Cass of Michigan, died in New York a few days ago.

Gen. cass was 78 years old. He gradu ated at West Point. He experintended the building of the government turngles over the Allegheny mountains and through hio organized the Adams express comonny and was its president; brought into assistence the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne Breaze railroad, and for twenty-two years was its president; in "74 built the rand capels & indiana road, and then coming president of the Southern rail y security company, built so southern roads. After that he etel president of the Northern Pacific nd was one of the original twenty whom the government granted a char er, and subsequently, upon the failure of av tooke, was appointed its receiver. en years ago he retired from active ran on life and traveled extensively for his calls in Lurope. His name was present ed to the democratic national convention at Chicago for the wice-presidency beennsy vania delegation in the Method ampaign, and was prominently mention I several times as a gubernatorial candi late in Pennsylvania, but he never made in effort to become politically prominent.

#### WOLVERINE WHISPERINGS,

New Minneapolis has been changed to entiellin. Lutington and Manistee want branches

Grand Hapids & Indlana ratiroad Henry Warnick of Ludington is said to lay \$30,000 waiting for him in Bayarla. Howard City must pay Mrs. C. Walling: To because she had a had fall on defecrve sidewa k.

I Lucut Curry of the Ninth Michigan number is alive, or if any of his relative urviva they can seenge his sword by writing Capt. C. A. Speafe, Mur'recro, Tenn. The sword was caretured agreement astsone year con lieut Cur y by the reliefs and was mion officer

Dr. Joseph Howell, a Lenawee county toneer, is dead.

n San Francisco on the 1 th inst. Fistrick Suinno Imiay City was instantv killed by a switch engine at Fort Wayne,

ud., the other morning. hx-Supt. Mell-roy of the state school for the blind, has received a flattering er to take charge of the Illinois state

nstitute for the blind. Railroad Commissioner Rich has issued an order for the use of the Dowling automatic car coupler on Michigan railroads. this makes nine patent couplers now in

Several prominent citizens of Muskegon lave gone to Washington to lobby for an

appropriation for Muskegon harbor. The senate has confirmed the nominaion of E. N. Fitch to be receiver of public noney at Reed City, and that of J. K. Wright to be register of the land office at Grayling.

Miss Augusta Lord Cass, a niece of the ate Gen. Lewis Cass of Detroit, died in readen, Okto, recently. Hiram Parker, a resident of Ingham

ounty since I 35, is dead.

J. P. Hubbard was run over by a flat car at Muskegon the other day, and instantly killed.

Joseph F. Whirple of Battle Creek was arrested in New York the other morning is a charge of embezzlement, Whimple was president of the Fembroke knittin mills of Battle Creek, and is accused a embezzling \$3, 10 of the company's funds dapids the democratic state convention to nominate delegates to the national con

vention at St. Louis. Joseph Kasper has been sent to stat prison from Newaygo for 2) years for a saulting his step daughter.

John Scanlon, who shot Heary Power An organized band of horse thieves i

perating in Calhoun county. The democratic state central committee net in Grand Rapids recently and name May lo as the date for holding in Gran in Grand Rapids a few weeks since, ha been held for trial on a charge of mar

Dr. C. H. Land, a well known dentist of Detroit, has been expelled from the stat dental association for violating the cod of ethics of that society in advertising

Unief Justice Sherwood has granted writ of certiorari removing the investiga tion of charges against Samuel D. Clay pro-ecuting attorney of Kent county, t the supreme court. The writ stipulate that Mr. Clay shall be ready for hearin at any time after the first day of the Apr. term that the prosecution may desire.

The Michigan brick and tile makers association elected the following officer at the recent meeting in Landing: Pres. dent, Robert Barker of Lausing: vice president, S. L. Baldwin of Grand Rapid secretary, C. B. Williams of Bay City treasurer, W. R. Quantrell of Potterville. Next year's meeting will be held at Adrian. A. J. Haines of Dundee died in Colum bus. Chio, a few days ago, of blood-pois

George '. Cowles, a merchant of Utica, N. Y., shot himself in his room at the Bancroft house in East Saginaw the other

Flint has voted \$45,000 out of its treasury to encourage manufacturing enterprises. Two e evators, each capable of storing about 900,000 bushels of wheat, are to be

creeted at St. Ignace. A terrible blizzard raged in the upper peniusu a on the 23d inst. All railroads were completely blockaded for several

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the state dental association: President, C. S. Case, Jackson; fir t vice-president. H. C. Corns. Detroit; second vice-president, Mrs. McNaughton, Grand Rapids; secretary, Wm, Cleland, Detroit; treasurer, H. K. Lathrop, Jr., Detroit; member of board of cen-ors, C. B. Porter, 1 ay City. The next meeting will be held in Grand Rapids on the first Tuesday in May, 1889.

There has been filed in the office of the secretary of state of Wisconsin articles of consolidation of the Freeport Dolgeville & Northern railroad, and the Chicago, Madison & Northern railroad, under the name of the Chicago, Madison & Northern railroad. The capital stock is \$50,000, and the principal office is at Chicago. The ultimate terminus of the Dodgeville branch will doubtless be St. Paul and the Madison branch wilf doubtless go to the lumber and iron districts of Northern Wisconsin and Michigan, by the way of Fon du Lac.

Oregon Hamilton of Newayge, convicted of whipping his only child, 19 months old, to death, has been sentenced to Jack son or life. The sentence g ves universal anti-faction.

State Geologist Charles E. Wright, died. at his home in Marquetts, March 22, Frof. Harrower, late of the agricultural college, is now managing a mine in Montana

was acquitted at his preliminary examination before the justice. The outcome is

received with universal favor. The report that the Chicago, Kalamazoo Sacinaw road had been sold to the Michigan Central is untrue.

It is reported that work of extending foledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan rail-

road will begin at Cadillac end snortly. Peter W. Johnson, prominent Kent county farmer and horticulturist, is dead, Over 6, 0 5000 feet of hardwood lumber has been marketed at the little village of Manton this year.

Copies of state election laws may be had by those desiring them by applying to Gil. R. Osmun, secretary of state. Every ownship board in Michigan will be sup-

Department Commander Bev. W. Gardser has completed his list of appointive flicers as follows: Inspector-General, A. Shakespeare, Kalamazoo; chief mustering officer, Edwin Hoyt, jr., Grand Rapids: hief aid, D. E. Haskins, Concord: transportation committee, George Hopkins d Detroit, Gen. S. B. Daboli of St. Johns, oscos D. Dix of Borrien Springs.

The date of the democratic state con cention has been changed to May 1

The strike of the union carpenters of the Saginaws for nine hours work, which was begun Jenuary I, has been declared off. Sine hours is given, but a slight change; in wages has been made. The Mrs. Ormsbey of Aug Arbor, got a ver-

eccapt r d by Capt. Sheafe, who was a dict of \$1, 50 for an accellent sustained on the Michigan Coutral road.

Exclor. Alger was tendered a ban poet rested charged with stealing \$ 3) from tory the prohibition law of the state is employer. Albert confesses.

The state convention of the national greenback party will be held in Grand Entri is May 13.

Mrs. Carpenter, mother of Alfred Car penter who was recently killed in Frank boos' saloon in Battle Creek by Conductor McCarty and who was about to institute proceedings against Saloonkeeper Boos, as compromi ed the matter for \$1,000.

Contracts have been let for the new depot freight house and round house of the Detroit Landing & Northern road at Gran I

Albert S. Bryandt has been convicted in the federal court in Grand Rapids of counterfeiting and remanded for sentence. He has a ready served two terms for this crime and has a had record. He promised to make important revelations, but failed

James O'Brien, a brakeman, was run ver and killed by the cars near East Saginaw the other day. His home was in psi anti, where his remains were taken.

#### DETROIT MARKETS

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tives, \$4 000 ...; western, \$5000 15; Tex-ans, \$3 5005; lambs, \$5 5000 50.

Agents of the ... ... are in Montreal employing engineers. Jacksonville, Fig., had a \$125,000 fire on the 20th inst.

NEWS SUMMARY.

The President has nominated Strothe-M. - tockslager of Indiana to be commissioner of the general land office, and Thos. J. Anderson of lows to be assistant commissioner of the general land office.

Oliver Woods, a citizen of the United States, who was arrested by the Mexicans in January last on the charge of complicity with the bandit Eraclio Berna', has been released, this result having been brought about by the prompt action of Thos. B. Connery, secretary of the United States legation in Mexico, who was then acting as minister.

The Massachusetts house of representatives has passed a bill giving women the right to vote on the que tion of grading liquor licenses.

Jay Gould has returned from his extend ed tour abroad.

Secretary Fairchild has determined upon a reduction of sa'aries in the treas ery department, as the only method of getting along with the decreased appropriation for that work.

Kentucky's state treasurer is short in his accounts over \$100,000, and has left for parts unknown.

The President sent to the house the other day a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, with a great mass of testimony relating to the unblushing frauds of public land grathers. A bill ac companies the communication which the President submits with the recommendation that it may become a law and with the earnest hope that the opportunity tions presented to demonstrate a sincere ir. George H. Gleveland of Pentwater, "desire to preserve the public domain for charged with causing the death of the settlers and to frustrate unlawful attempts Cribbs boy by an overdose of morphine, to appropriate the same may not be neglected.

Twelve inches of snow has ruined the

Texas fruit crop. During 18 7 450,845 emigrants were land-

ed in New York. Earth unles are of daily occurrence in

the state of Sonora. Mexico. Attown meeting in Dover, N. H., Mrs. 'elecca Fennett was chosen moderator and Mrs. James Buzzell superintendent of

Objo democrats will meet in state con vention in Dayton May 15-15,

President Cleveland has been elected a member of the Browing fishing club of

Ohio democrats have organized a state lengue.

During a heavy thunder storm in Wash ington the other day the senate wing of the capitol was struck by lightning but did no other damage than to frighten the occupants and destroy telographic and telephone communication with the out

Memorial services for Emperor William. were held in New York the other night. Carl Schurz was the principal speaker.

There are plans on loot for uniting the union labor party and the greenbackers in one national convention at Cincinnati, May 15. An effort will also be made to induce the grangers to come into the same relitical ford and unite in one strong combination on the same presidential ticket.

The supreme court of the United Statehas declared unconstitutional the law of lows which problidts the carrying of lippor into the state by tronsportation Albert Derby, a farm hand working for companies, it is claimed by some that the C. 1. LeValley, near Fifut, has been are effect will be practically to render nuga-

Six thousand carpenters in Chicago The president has signed the bill for the threaten to stop work April 1st to compel relief of Mary Ederingham Brown of this employers to make eight hours a days'

> Some President Corbin's Inexorable reply to discarded Reading railroad strikers. he engineers and firemen have abandon ed all hope of re-instatement and are mak ing strenuous efforts to secure employment in the west. A number of Reading engineers have been engaged by the Burlington company.

McGarigle, the famous Chicago boodler.

has been seen in Du uth. House committees on territories has decided to report bill for organization of territory of Alaska.

Minority of senate committee on terri-

tory reported favorably on admission of Washington territory with present bound-House committee on public lands will

report bills working partial forfeiture of railroad land grants, except in cases of total failure to bulld the road. Reported that Dominion government

will wipe out Canadian Pacific monopoly in Manitoba.

Georgia, Virginia and Tennessee were visited by a cyclone on the 23d inst. Several lives were lost and much valuable property destroyed.

Hereafter all postmasters receiving \$500 salary or higher will be required to backstamp letters with the date and time of their arrival. This order also extends to all distributing offices.

The United States supreme court has decided that the lows prohibitory law, in so far as it attempts to prevent the fetching I alcoholic liquors into the state by pub lie carriers, is invalid. Justices Walte, Gray and Harlan dissented. The Iowa courts held that a railroad company could not deliver liquors to any person within the state unless the assignee can show that he is authorized to sell the stuff.

An accident occurred at Barrie station on the Pennsylvania railroad the other day, whereby five persons were killed and several others injured.

Disastrous floods are reported both east

During February 19,457 immigrants ar rived in this country, against 14,317 in February, 1887. Germany furnished 4,250; England and Wales, 3,655; Italy, 2,308; Russia, 1.717; Ireland, 1,407, and Sweden and Norway, 1,104.

The relief fund for the sufferers at Mt. Vernon. Ill., amounts to \$100,000. A branch of the Red Cross society has been established at that place, under whose management the money will be judiciously expended. A severe snow storm swept over Minne

sota, Dakota and Wisconsin, March 24. Traffic on all roads was abandoned for several days, the track being covered with snow to a depth of 10 and 15 feet.

An investigation of affairs in the Chicago postoffice has been ordered by Postmaster General I lekinson.

Margaret and Anna O'Rielly of Providence, R. I., were driving across the railroad track, whentheir carriage was struck by the express train, and both ladies instantly killed.

New York recuidings will hold state convention in Builalo May 16.

Mr. shompson, wife of Col. R. W. Thompson, p-esident of the Panama canai company and ex-secretary of the nav . died in ferre Haute, Ind., a few days ago.

aged 77 years. Charles Latimer, for many years chief engineer, but late y consulting engineer of the New York, Pennsy vania & Oblo railroad, and one of the leading spirits in the international institution for the preervation of weights and measures, died

at Cleveland, March 24. The public library of Peoria, Ill., was damaged by fire the other day to the amount of \$5,000.

According to Otto Reichelt, former book keerer of the Arbeiter Zeitung, the Chica go anarchists are holding meetings every week, and are constantly growing strong er. Reichelt has been arrested char ed with stealing \$5 0, but he says the real reason is that his enemies believe that he has been playing spy for the police.

An investigation into the treatment of the convicts in the mines at Coni Hill, Ark., by Gov. Hughes an i the penitentiary boar I shows that the men had been whip ped until the blood ran down the r bare backs; that they were worked without shoes, and that their quarters were dirty and filtby beyond description. Heretofore the men were afraid to complain for fear of puni-hment.

# FOREIGN FACTS.

It is reported that the Mexican governnent has arranged with the bleichroders. in conjunction w to Anthony G.bb. of London and the Mexican national bank, for the issue of a loan of £10,50,000, which s sanctione ; by the Mexican congress. Spain, Italy and Russia are suffering

rom disastrous floods. The earthquake shock in Yunnan continued three weeks, destroying several owns and causing much damage to shipping. At Kien-Shin 4,000 persons were

kille L Marquis of Londonderry, lord lieutenant of Ireland, has been given vacant knight-

ood of the garter. The anniversary of the late emperor's irtiday on the 22d was observed through out the empire.

The town of Mynigyan, in Upper Bur-

ah has been de troyed by fire. Fifteen housand people are homeless. Near Severa Bridge, nine miles south of traventuret to ... on the Northern rail

way, a freight train going south collided with a snow plow coming north and five en were killed and three in urod. Mr. Parne is bill for the relief of Irish tenants from the arrears of rent was do ested in the house of commons. The lefeat of this measure means that land-

ords will proceed with evictions and turmail and trouble will follow. The dominion government, It is rumor d, has decided to abundon, at least for he present, the scheme for the construcion of a canal on the Canadian side at

Sault Ste. Marie. Emperor William had saved \$12,700,000 Queen Victoria has sent a message o indolence to President Carnot of France,

m the death of his fatuer. Emperor | rederick is dearly concerned it the distress and damage caused by the loods in various parts of Germany and ins or level his minist rate take all needal steps for the reliof of suffers from

these inundations. BURNED AT THE THEATRE.

ighty Persons Dead.-Entire Fam lies Sufficented.

While a performance was in progress at e | an uet theatre in Oporto, l'ortugal. an explosion of gas occurred and the theatre took fire and was destroyed. The iouse was full of spectators and a number of lives were lost. Many persons were in-

Eighty bodies have been taken from the uins. Most of those burned were in the third boxes and galleries, where whole amilies were sufficiented. There was a terrific struggle at the doors when the spectators tried to es ape. Large numbers were sufficiented and trampled on. Many on reaching the street were so seriously njured that they vomited blood. Nearly all the victims were spectators. The actors escaped in their theatrical costumes. Many in the theater finding them tumes. Many in to theater finding them se ves unable to reach the doors, jumped from the window. The gas was exting hished shortly after the fire broke out thus adding to the confusion. Jarge gangs of workmen are exploring the ruins. todies were discovered locked in a

the mall-carrier between Calleo, Cal., and Bismarck is a dog. The mail is fastened about his neck. In the last three years he has never missed a trip nor lost a letter. Grinnell Ia, enjoys the distinction of

never having a saloon and of not having furnished an inmate of the Poor House or Penitentiary for twenty-eight years. The Ohio Society in New York has post poned its annual banquet from February 30

to April 7, "the centennial anniversary of the settlement of the Ohio Valley at Marietta." Miss Story, the daughter of a clergyman in the north of Ireland, has won the literature scholarship of £100 a year for five years

awarded by the Royal University of Ireland. An Irish terrier belonging to George Gas. kin, of Babbacombe Beach, England, watches for mackerel from a high biuff near the hotel, and barks and points when a school appears.

Europe by the Persians about the year 800. It was brought as a present to Charlmagne from Abdella, King of Persia, by two monks of Jerusalem. Prohibition dominates eight of North Carolina's ninetr-three counties, and the senti

not a license for selling liquor has been issued for seventeen years. A farmer near Reedsville, Penn., recently killed two deer at one shot. His weapon was a single-harreled rifle, with which

put a ball through the neck of each deer at a distance of seventy-five yards. Fifty families of Newfoundland fishermen have arranged to move next spring to a group of the Quen Charlotte Islands, off the British Columbian coast, above Vancouvers. The waters about the islands are said to abound in fish, and one of the industries of the colony will be sending fresh fish to the Vic-

Chippewa Indians are annoying the Wisconsin loggers. They divide up into bands of ten to fifteen, scatter through the forests and pitch their tents aiws s in the neighborhood of a logging camp. This winter they have been bolder and have even compelled the cooks in some of the camps to prepare them meals when the crew was absent from the

toria market.

CONGRESSIONAL SUMMARY.

Man 22 Swar among the bills recalendar were the following: To encourage the holding of an indu trial exposition of the arts, mechanics and product of the colored race in the United States in 1888.9. To authorize the secretary of the treasury To authorize the secretary of the treasury to apply the surplus mone in the treasury to the purchase of Inited States londs and to the pre-payment of interest. Notice was given by Mr. Idrich, who reported this bill, that he would call it up at an early day, rowiding that pensions be rated according to the ran held at the date of the discharce. Mr. Palmer introduced a bill providing for the sale and conveyance to the M nneapolis, Sault Ste. Marie military reservation. Senator Davis reported favorably the bill introduced by him a few days ago providing that where officers incurred disability in the line of duty, but nevertheless emained in the service and were afterwards promoted, the pension allowed or the disability incurred shall be at the rate allowed by the curred shall be at the rate allowed by the law for the highest rank which the officer attained. The bill giving preference for civil service appointments among men who had been disloyal during the war to those who had served in the confederate army or were suffering from wounds or disabilities gave rise to a very animated and partisan discussion, but was laid aside without action.

Was passed creating a port of delivery at Grand Rapids. A bill was introduced to protect free labor and the industries in which it is employed from the injurious effects of convict labor. from the in urious effects of convict labor by confining the sale of goods, wares and merchandise manufactured by convict labor to the state in which they are produced. A penalty of fine and imprisonment and a forfeiture of the goods is impose if or any violation of the law. The bill to establish a department of abor was reported and referred to the committee of the whole. The bill to exent the product of convict labor from being furnet of convict 'abor from being fur-nished or for use in any department of the government was placed on the calendar. A bill was reported to authorize the presi-dent to confer brevet rank on army offcers for gallant services in Indian cam-paigns; house calendar. A bill was re-ported to prevent the employment of convict and allen labor on public works; onse calendar. Mr. Weaver of lows in-troduced a bill providing for the issue of reduced a bill providing for the issue of legal tender treasury notes in leg of notes estimated to be lost or destroyed: referred. Hills were passed for the protection in their waves of mechanics, laborers and ervants in the District of Columbia and the territories and extending the provisions of the eight hour law to effective riers. The bill referring to the court of claims for adjustment, the accounts of claims for ad ustment the accounts of interers, working and mechanics working under the eight-hour law was then taken up and discussed until the house admill, Shware, -Mr. Plair, in refer

M. a. a. 2. Sec. are. —Mr. Mair, in reference to his hill to a ve preference for civil service amointments to wounded ex soldiers of the confederacy as between who had been disloyal, said that several senators on both sides had requested him to have the full lie over still further; grantful. The bill crossing for inspection of ments for exportation and prohibiting the importation of adulterated articles of food or drink was passed. Among the other drink was passed. Among the other is passed were the following: To allow follis passed were the following: To allow coldiers and sailors who have lost both ands, or the use of both hands, a pension of \$100 a month; house bill to amend laws column. relating to navigation has to fees of shipping commissioners, the expenses of dis-charged seamen, etc. house full to facili-tate the presention of works projected for improvements of rivers and backers, with amendments, on which a conference with amendments, on which a conference committee was ordered, and enators bolld, Frye and vest appointed, house bill for relief of volunteers of ourth regi-ment lows infantry, amended by a sub-titute entitled for the relief of cer-tain volunteer olders. The substitute provides that the ad of April 12, 1872, in trictive words "before Amoust a truck words hadors August a 150 struck out, and that the caims of all soldiers and their hers who had denied the tounty of \*10 grantel by act of April 22, 187 shall be reconsidered, allowed and paid if foun correct and just, provided the oldier were enrolled or collisted prior to July 2, 1=1, for three cars; authorizing the construction of a bridge across the feed liver of the North; to authorize the uries of the I nite! States circuit and district courts to be used interchangeably and to provide for drawing talesmen, regulating fees for exemplification of land patents. Mr. Frye from the committee on foreign relations, reported back the house bill authorizing the president to arrange a conference for the purpose of promoting arbitration and encouraging reciprocal commercial relations between the United States and Mexico, Central and South America and Brazil. Calendar. The senate then adourned.

Horse, Mr. Randall presented resolu-tions of the Philadelphia boart of trade, declaring that the Mills tarif bid, if it should become a law, would prove injurous to many important an long estab-ished industries of the country. Leferred. The house spent considerable time in com-The house spent considerable time in committee of the whole on the bill referring to the court of claims for the ad ustment of the accounts of laborers, workmen and mechanics under the eight-hour law. Mr. Mulliken offered an amendment requiring the commissioner of labor to investigate the Mills tariff bill and to report what effect it would have on the labor and industry of the United States and on foreign injustry, and on the profits of foreign industry, and on the profits of foreign manufactures and the markets of the American farmer. Mr. Buchanan's motion to strike out was re ected, and pend-ing action upon the amendment the committee rose and the house adjourned.

Maken 22, Senate.—Thirty one bills were taken from the calendar and passed, among them the following: To prevent the obstruction of navigable waters and to protect public works against trespass or hinry. To provide for a commission on the subject of the alcoholic liquor treffic. The house bill appropriating \$ .000 to reward the Es nimanx natives of the Asiatic coast of the Arctic ocean or acts of humanity to showecked seamen. House bill authorizing the President to arrange a conference between the inited states and the republic of Mexico, tentral and South America, Hayti. San Lomingo and the empire of Braid. It appropriates \$ .000 to be disbused under the direction of the ecretary of state for exprinter \$100.00 to be disbused under the direction of the ecretary of state for expense incidental to the congrence. The senate added some amendments and on these a conference was ordered. To aid the state of Colorado to support a school of mines. To amend section 805 of the ravied statutes so as to allow oaths to be administered by notaries public. House this requirement the construction of bridges. The first striking clock was imported into bill regulating the construction of bridges over the Muskingum river. Onlo, with amendments. Fixing the status of cadet engineers of the classes of INSI and ISS2, I educing the po tage on seeds, cuttings, bulb: roots, scions, etc., to one cent for four cunces. Mr. Saulsbury of Delaware addressed the senate on the President's ment is on the increase. In Randolph county annual message.

House, ... The house passed a number of bills, among them the following: Authorizing the secretary of the treasury to remit all daties collected upon all animals heretofore imported for breeding purposes, whether for the importer's own use, or for sale: a bill providing that on trial of all civil and criminal cases in circuit and dis-trict courts the udges shall charge the jury in writing if re uired by either party; amending section 185 revised statutes so as to read as follows, "that where by the laws of a state defendants in the courts thereof are entitled to a stay of execution, defendants in the courts of the i nited states held therein shall be entitled to a like stay upon the same conditions, in-cluding the giving and enforcement of a bond or other security for the performance bond or other security for the performance of the judgment thus stayed; providing that udgments and decrees of United States courts rendered within any state shall be liens on property in the same manner and to the same extent as judgments and decrees of the courts of that state; Mr. Burns of Missouri submitted the conference report on the urgent deficiency bill, and it was agreed to. As passed the bill appropriates \$6,576,500